# **New Personal Property Assessment Notices**

Personal property owners have begun to receive their personal property tax assessment notices. The new notices are considered "File by Exception," meaning that a personal property owner will only send the notice back to the Commissioner of the Revenue Office if there are changes or additions to be made. If any of the information is incorrect, residents should correct it and mail or fax it to the Commissioner's Office by April 17. Remember, the assessment notices are not bills.

## **Changes Made in Payment Options**

Several changes have also been made regarding the payment of personal property taxes. In past years, personal property taxes could only be paid in one payment and were due by November 15. Beginning this year, citizens have the option of either making one

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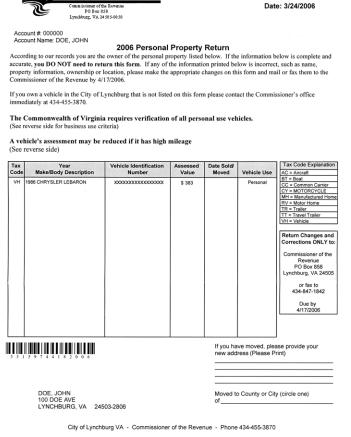
payment for the full amount or paying in two installments. Taxpayers choosing to make one payment must do so by June 1.

Those choosing to make installments must make the first payment by June 1 and the second payment by **December 1.** Personal property tax bills will be mailed in May and November.

## **No More Scraping Off Decals**

Last year, City Council voted to eliminate the vehicle decal. Personal property owners will pay a vehicle license fee but will not receive a decal. The vehicle license fee will be included in the personal property tax bill and must be paid in one payment by June 1.

For further information, please contact the Commissioner of Revenue's Office at 455-3870.



Personal Property Return Legend **Business Use Criteria** 

you can answer YES to any of the following questions, your motor vehicle is considered by State Law to have a Is more than 50% of the mileage for the year used as a business expense for Federal Income Tax Purposes OR reimbursed by an employer?

- Is more than 50% of the depreciation associated with the vehicle deducted as a business expense for Federal Income Tax purposes?
- Is the cost of the vehicle expensed pursuant to Section 179 of the Internal Revenue Service Code? Is the vehicle leased by an individual and the leasing company pays the tax without reimbursement from the individual?
- High Mileage Reduction (Passenger Vehicles Only)

vehicle assessment may be reduced if the vehicle has high mileage. The reduction is based of s of January 1, 2006 (or as of the purchase date if purchased after January 1, 2006). The follo dicates the minimum mileage necessary to qualify for a high mileage reduction.

PERSONAL PROPERTY RETURN

City of Lynchburg VA - Commissioner of the Revenue - Phone 434-455-3870

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## **DUE DATES:**

## April 17

- "File by Exception" for Assessment Notices.

## June 1

- Full payment or first installment payment for property taxes.
- Full payment for Vehicle license fee.

## December 1

 Second installment payment for property taxes.

# JAMESTOWN.

# **Come Home to** Lynchburg in 2007

"History Runs Through Us"

- 400 years since the founding of the Jamestown Settlement
- 250 years since the founding of John Lynch's Ferry service on the James River

Join in a year-long celebration of Virginia and Lynchburg history. We encourage you and your organization to host a program, project, or event to spotlight your organization and celebrate our history!

For more information or to schedule a Lynchburg 2007 speaker, call 845-5966 or visit www.DiscoverLynchburg.org for an application.

No club or organization is too small to participate in Lynchburg 2007!

## Add your name to the following participants:

Amazement Square

Daughters of the American Revolution Jones Memorial Library

Legacy Museum of African American History Lynchburg College

Lynchburg Historical Foundation

Lynchburg Regional Convention & Visitors Bureau

Lynch's Landing

National D-Day Memorial Foundation

Drs. Clifton and Dorothy Potter Riverviews Artspace

South River Meeting House

Thomas Jefferson's Poplar Forest Sponsored by Lynchburg 2007 Community Program, Lynchburg Regional Convention & Visitors Bureau, City of Lynchburg, and Jamestown 2007.

# Library Celebrates 40 Years of Service!

MARTIN

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Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard Street Signs

**SILENT AUCTION BID FORM** 

Please Print

RETURN FORM TO: Main Library at 2315 Memorial Avenue or Branch Library at 900 Church Street in City Hall

(All bids must be at least \$200 or higher in increments of at least \$5)

The Lynchburg Public Library is kicking off its 40th anniversary with a new exhibit, "Lynchburg Public Library: Celebrating 40 Years of Service," in the Martin Luther King, Jr. Center for Human Rights at the Main Library, 2315 Memorial Ave.

The exhibit recognizes the contributions of the diverse group of citizens who, in 1964, joined together to form the Friends of the Public Library. Their goal was to see Lynchburg' first taxsupported public library established. Prior to this time, public library service was provided by the privately-endowed Jones Memorial Library, but it was restricted to serving only the white community.

An opening program will be held on Friday, April 7, at 3:00 p.m. in the King Center area. A panel of early supporters will share the story of the community-wide effort. Panelists include: Samuel Cardwell, Dr. William Quillian, Mrs. Joan Jones and Elliot Schewel; all were active in the campaign. Additionally, the Rev. Owen Cardwell, one of the first students to integrate E.C. Glass in 1962, will speak about being a teenager in

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Lynchburg at that time. The program is sponsored by the Dr. and Mrs. C.H. Lippard Memorial Fund. It is free and open to

A special feature of the program will be a silent auction for the original 12 Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard street signs that were installed along the City's Fifth Street and Memorial Avenue corridor. The signs were

removed and larger signs were later installed. The smaller signs were donated to the Martin Luther King Center for Human Rights for fund raising.

Anyone interested in submitting a bid for one

of the signs may do so at the opening program. Those not able to attend the program may submit a bid by completing the bid form below and returning it to either the Main Library at 2315 Memorial Avenue or to the Branch Library at 900 Church Street in City Hall. All bids must be for at least \$200 or higher with increments of at least \$5.

For more information please contact the Lynchburg Public Library

The Lynchburg Reads book for 2006 is "Ender's Game" by Orson Scott Card. The

highlight of this spring's Lynchburg Reads will be an appearance by Mr. Card.

**Events planned for Lynchburg Reads** are as follows:

Tuesday, April 18 at 7:30 p.m. Smith Hall, Randolph-Macon Woman's College Orson Scott Card appearance

Monday, April 17 from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. Givens Books, 2236 Lakeside Drive

Discussion of "Ender's Game" Please register by calling 385-5027

Here's a bit about the book. Andrew "Ender" Wiggin thinks he is playing computer-simulated war games; he is, in fact, engaged in something far more desperate. The result of genetic experimentation, Ender may be the military genius that Earth desperately needs in a war against an alien enemy seeking to destroy all human life. The only way to find out is to throw Ender into ever-harsher training, to chip away and find the diamond inside, or destroy him. Ender Wiggin is six years old when it begins. He will grow up fast.

When Orson Scott Card wrote "Ender's Game" in 1985, the book won both the Hugo and Nebula awards and rose to the top of national bestseller lists. The book has sold more than two million copies. Ender's Game and its sequels have been equally popular with nonscience fiction readers as with science fiction fans. Additionally, the books have proven to be well-liked by teen readers, particularly boys. A movie based on "Ender's Game" is in production.

The library and many local bookstores will have plenty of copies of Ender's Game available to area residents. Everyone is invited to participate! For more information, call Candice Michalik at the Lynchburg Public Library, 455-6310.

# **2006 Parking Permits**

CITY OF LYNCHBURG, VA. **RESIDENTIAL PARKING PERMIT** 

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Citizens living in a permit parking zone must purchase parking permits for 2006 on or before April 17, 2006. Permits may be purchased in City Hall, 900 Church Street, at the Billings & Collections windows, or by mail:

> City of Lynchburg P. O. Box 603 Lynchburg, VA 24505

Each permit is \$3.00 per vehicle, which also includes three visitor passes per household. State license plate numbers are required for each vehicle. If you have questions concerning parking permits, please call Billings & Collections at 455-3850.

# **New Voting Machine** to be on Display

The City is receiving a new handicappedaccessible voting machine for each of the voting precincts. The new machines are being paid for by the federal government under the terms of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (HAVA). The Registrar of Voters will be introducing these machines at various locations around the city this spring, with emphasis on facilities for the elderly. They will also be demonstrating them at each precinct on election day, May 2. The new handicapped-accessible voting machines will be used for the first time to count votes during the June 13, 2006 primary election.

On Thursday, April 6, and Thursday, Anril 20. from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.. staff

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347-1609.

# For more information about Lynchburg City services, visit our web site at www.lynchburgva.gov